

Malvern Inventors Club Newsletter - November 2006

Next Meeting Date: 14th December 2006 @ The Learning Zone - 7:00pm

The December and subsequent meetings will be held back in 'The Learning Zone'. (Just to note that tea and coffee is no longer free, a charge of 20p is now required.)

The Agreed New Committee

Chairman	Ian Browse
Vice Chairman	Gordon Heeks
Secretary	Vacancy
Treasurer	Sim Mayes
Editor Newsletter	Ashley Mayes

In the last inventors meeting the club agreed that the following fees would apply:

	Joining fee	Annual Subscription
Adults	£10	£5
Juniors (<18)	£0	£2

Annual subscription fee is due in January. Junior members up to the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult relative who is also a member of the inventors club.

We have had a inquiry from the head teacher of a local primary school who has asked what the club may be able to do for their school. The club is looking into this and is deciding what they can do.

Malcolm Victory's Rotaire™ Dryline has now got 100 trial units of assorted sizes finished in Hong Kong ready for shipping to the UK. The arrival date of the product in

the UK was the 23rd November. Trial samples will be distributed from the 1st December. The planned product launches in March 2007 and it will feature on *Midlands Today* when Malcolm is ready. Malcolm has made a leaflet on his Rotaire[™] Dryline.



Ashley Mayes has made a Linbot which is a line-following robot manufactured by Active-Robots.

The robot is controlled by two independent motors. It has a 3 pairs of infrared LEDs which are directed to the ground to detect where the black or white line is, as well as one on the front pointing forward to detect obstructions. When it meets an obstruction it stops and does a Uturn and continues on.

It comes in kit form, so there is soldering required to build the kit.

Ashley will be bringing the Linbot to the next meeting.